

Lincoln PTO Meeting

March 10, 2021

I. Call to Order

- A. Welcome from Michele Philage
- B. Approval of Minutes

II. Principal's Report – Jay Johnson

- A. Thanks for everything the PTO does to support the staff and students
- B. The District is offering COVID vaccines for all building personal this Friday
- C. The District is required to take PSSAs this year.
 - 1. Currently the only “Opt Out” option is for Religious Reasons however, if additional “Opt Out” options are offered Mr. Johnson will notify parent/guardians via email.
 - 2. The State requires that PSSAs be taken inside the school building. If your student is a remote learner, and you want them to take the PSSA, they would need to come into building on the assigned dates.
 - 3. The scheduled dates for the PSSAs are as follows:
 - ELA – 5/11-5/13
 - Math – 5/17, 5/19
 - Science (4th grade only)- 5/20
- D. Mental Health Staff
 - 1. Cindy Wood is no longer with the district
 - 2. Cathy Gorka (sp) will be the new social worker at Lincoln 3 days a week, on call five days a week.
 - 3. Hannah Berkawitz (sp) will head up the Student Assistance Program (SAP). This is a pilot program for the elementary schools. The SAP helps with any barriers that may impact academic performance.
- E. School Photos make-up date is currently scheduled for 3/22. More information will be provided via email.
- F. At this time year-end activities will not take place to avoid large gatherings- this is district wide. If this changes and activities are able to take place, Mr. Johnson will notify us.

III. Mr. Booz – Music News

- A. Our students are learning music by singing, playing instruments and reading music. Mr. Booz commented that the parent and community support is one of the reasons why we have such a fantastic music program.
- B. Mr. Booz presented a video showing students playing instruments while practicing social distancing, wearing masks and coverings for certain instruments to avoid aerosol sprays
- C. The Music Concert is currently scheduled to take place on Thursday May 20th at the high school auditorium. This may change to the field at the high school to accommodate social distancing. More to come.

IV. Committee Reports

A. Updates

Spirit Day – Chick Fil A day resulted in approximately \$100 profit for the PTO

The next Spirit Day is scheduled for 3/23 and will be a “Pay it Forward” day. We are encouraging our Lincoln families to order food or go to have a meal at Ma and Pa’s Country Kitchen. We will not take any proceeds from this event – we are having this to support local small business.

Talent Show- postponed at this time

Valentine’s Day bags- a HUGE thank you to Deanna Ford and the other parents/guardians that volunteered to make the Valentine’s Day bags for the classrooms. Many of the parent/guardians have volunteered for more than one holiday and/or more than one classroom. Also, another HUGE thank you to Bethel Craft Company who helped with the Valentine’s craft boxes for a reduced cost for our fourth-grade students.

Teacher Appreciation- this will take place in May. May need to fill this committee next year.

Sarris Fund Raising – YTD profit is \$248.07. The orders are low compared to previous years. Hope to return to catalog sent home from school next year.

Market Day – Year to Date profit is \$128.17, however not all checks are posted.

Yearbook Committee- Yearbooks can be purchased either on-line or via order form that has been sent home with students. NOTE- we cannot guarantee that students scheduled for retake pictures in March will have their picture in the yearbook. It depends on when Lifetouch uploads the images, as the Yearbook due date is 4/5. If parents or guardians would like to put a message in the yearbook for their 4th grade students – there is no charge this year.

Rite-Aid Fundraiser – this is a new fund raiser where individuals can register their wellness cards to link up with our school and we will receive a check based on sales linked to our school.

V. PTO board openings

A. Information will be coming home looking for PTO board members: Vice President and Treasurer. Responses are due in April and a vote will take place during the 5/6 PTO meeting at 6:30- this is the final PTO meeting for the 2020/2021 school year.